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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Mehdi Kashani for INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD. This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/734,340, filed December 11, 2000, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/221,615 filed July 28, 2000.

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Complete CIP Patent Application including:

118 pages of specification

12 claims

1 page of abstract

25 sheets of drawings

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Fee Calculation:

Basic Filing Fee – small entity (code 201): \$355.00

Total Claims 12 – 0 Extra

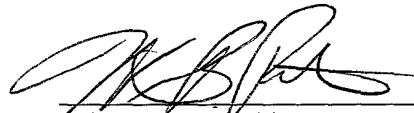
Independent Claims 2 – 0 Extra

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